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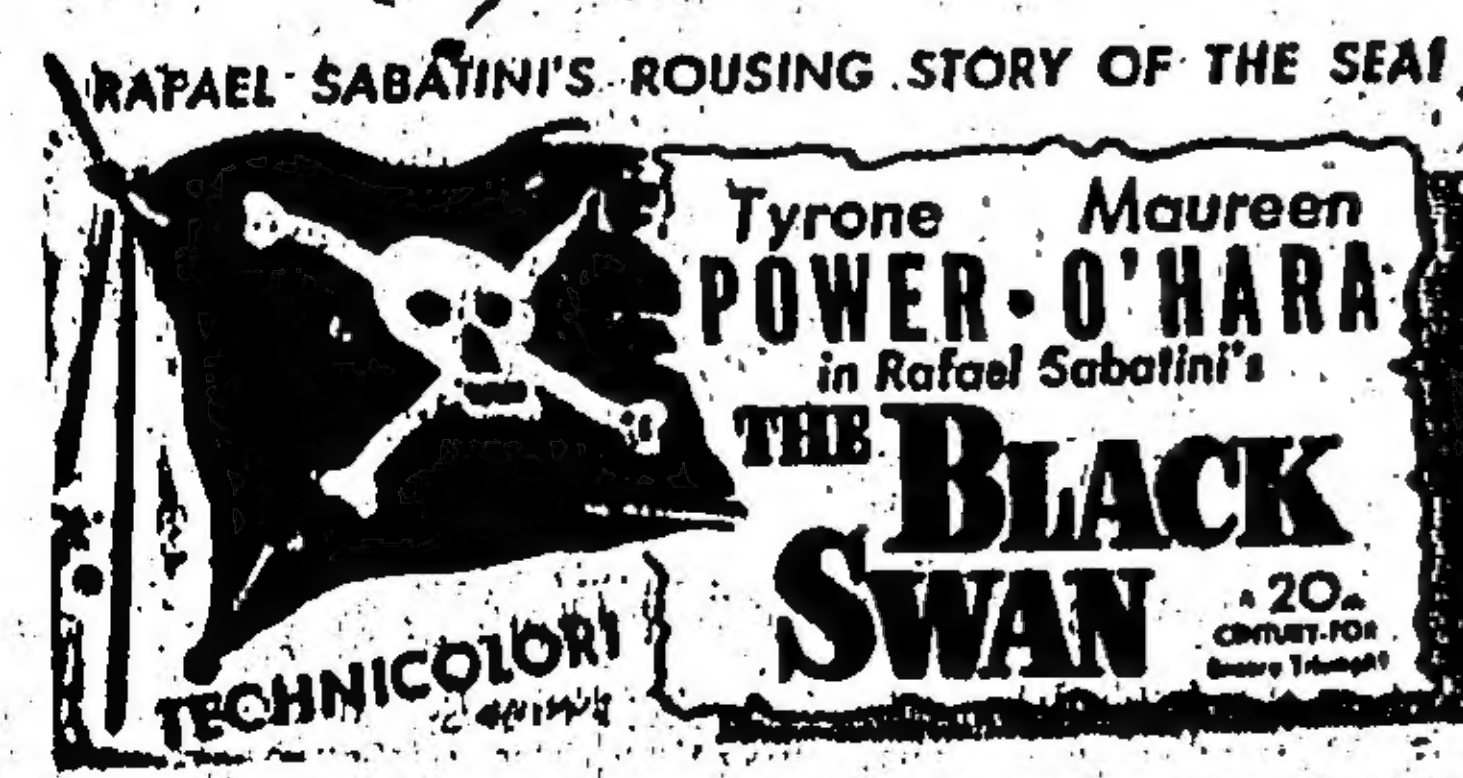
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British Cabinet Reversion

Secret Treaty
Alleged For
W. German Army

Berlin, Oct. 29.

The Communist East German Radio, quoting "reliable" sources, claimed the United States and West Germany had agreed in a secret treaty to set up a West German Army by next Spring.

It said President Eisenhower and the West German Chancellor, Dr Konrad Adenauer, had concluded the agreement "according to which a West German Army is to be set up within the next few months irrespective of whether France or Italy will have ratified the EDC (European Defence Community) treaty or not."

BRITAIN
SERVES
NOTICE

London, Oct. 29.

Britain has served notice on a number of European countries that it intends to impose duties on their fruit and vegetables as soon as it is constitutionally possible.

This action was disclosed in London today by Mr Eric Gidder, Chairman of the Central Horticultural Committee of Britain's National Farmers Union.

It follows immediately on last week's Geneva decision by the signatories to GATT (General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade) to grant Britain a "waiver" on some of its tariff provisions.

The chief countries served with notices are understood to be France, Italy, Denmark, Belgium and the Netherlands. Mr Gidder said the countries served with notices had until November 23 to lodge objections to the British proposals.

If no objections were lodged, then legislation could be introduced before the House of Commons within the following 28 sitting days of Parliament.

This would make it possible for the tariff duties to go before Parliament for approval some time during December. —China Mail Special.

The Radio said that according to this agreement, a West German Army was to be set up during the first three months of 1954. An Army of 195,400 men, an infantry and an armoured division were to be set up. The American Government was said to have agreed to the formation of 12 reserve divisions in addition to the six infantry and six armoured divisions provided for in the European Defence Community Treaty.

"The large number of armoured divisions was explained with the intended purpose to be given to the German Army as compared with the French," the Radio said.

"The German Army is to be prepared for attacking operations as the United States strategic plans want the German units to form the front-line."

"ALL NONSENSE" — The German Government has said the reports of a secret treaty to set up a West German Army were "absolute nonsense." The German Government said the reports were "absolute nonsense."

These quarters believed they were part of a Communist campaign, directed mainly at France, against the ratification of the European Defence Community Treaty under which Germany would contribute troops to a European Army.

They recalled in this connection recent statements by French Communist leaders hinting at an all-out Communist effort to delay ratification of the European Army Treaty. —Reuter.

LEE GREAT WORLD

TO-DAY

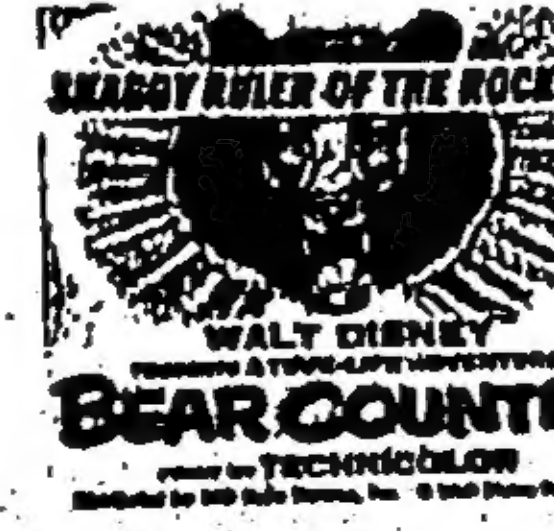
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To Old
Policy

London, Oct. 29.

The Cabinet is now following a secret diplomacy far more active than its public diplomacy. This secret diplomacy applies especially to the Far East, to Franco-German relations, to Italian-Yugoslav relations and to Iranian affairs.

In the Far East, the British Government openly follows French policy in Indo-China and American policy in Korea. But, secretly, Britain has let it be known in Paris that Indo-China should be granted a status comparable to that of a British Dominion. In a like manner, Sir Winston Churchill's Government constantly advising Washington, sometimes in a pressing manner, as to the attitude it should observe towards President Syngman Rhee.

Public appeals are made to France by British Ministers, with little effect, to secure ratification of the European Defence Treaty and to improve Franco-German relations. But, in the meantime, secret action proceeds in order to associate in a practical manner British armed forces with the continental military system, and the West German Government is being pressed to show itself reasonable in regard to guarantees against any possible German aggression.

In addition, Britain, in close co-operation with the American and French Governments, is making secret approaches in Rome and Belgrade to secure a five-power conference on Trieste and the attainment of an eventual agreement on this question.

BRITISH TRADITION — In Iranian affairs, it has been quickly noticed by the astute British that a more promising political climate prevails in Iran since Mosaddegh was thrown out of office and Britain is now acting with the utmost tact in order not to hurt Iranian nationalist feelings. While Mr Eden spoke of resuming diplomatic relations with Iran, Britain was doing "under-cover" diplomacy in Iran to prepare the way, and success should attend these efforts.

These British efforts, though not in the public eye, are a return to the traditional way of British diplomacy and their influence on world affairs is extremely powerful. With Britain's vast store of experience in international relations, most countries are influenced by British manoeuvres and, in the United States, British influence appears to be much stronger than the surface viewpoint would indicate.

In any case, all these British efforts are aimed at more peaceful world and most countries hope for their eventual success. —France-Press.

Maurice Dejean
Weds In Paris

Paris, Oct. 29.

The French Commissioner-General in Indo-China and former French Ambassador in Japan, M. Maurice Dejean, was married here today to Miss Marie Claire Giry, a solicitor's daughter.

The wedding was a private affair and the couple slipped away quietly for a short honeymoon prior to M. Dejean's return to Indo-China. —France-Press.

Warning To
Canada

Toronto, Oct. 29.

The Canadian Manufacturers Association today urged the Government not to cut tariffs on Japanese goods.

President J. D. Ferguson said that although Japan had been accepted as an associate member of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, it was imperative that the Canadian Government should "reserve its position so that Canada would not have to extend the most-favoured-nation tariff treatment to Japanese goods."

"Tariff reductions at this time can only result in further serious injury to many of our domestic manufacturers," he said. —United Press.

Unification Of
Europe Called
A Necessity

Cambridge, Oct. 29.

M. Robert Schuman, former French Foreign Minister, today stressed the need for a unification of Europe with countries renouncing serious sovereign powers in favour of a supra-national organ.

This supra-national body would, however, be controlled in accordance with democratic principles, notably by means of a common Parliamentary Assembly, he said at a meeting of the United Nations Association here. —Reuter.

Big Three
Decision
Not Taken

New York, Oct. 29.

The Big Three Western powers have not yet formulated a resolution to present to the Security Council regarding the tension in Palestine, a British spokesman said today.

It had been reported in the American press that the Big Three Western powers would propose a vote of censure on Israel for the attack on the Jordanian village of Kibya on October 14 and ask for a strengthened United Nations Truce Supervision Organisation.

The British spokesman said that undoubtedly Britain, France and the United States, which originally asked the Security Council to give urgent consideration to the matter, would present a resolution eventually but not at the present stage.

The Council was due to meet on the question at 8 p.m. GMT but at midday there had been no speakers inscribed on the Council President's list.

Major-General Vagn Ben-Nike, the Chief of Staff of the Truce Supervision Organisation, has also reported on the state of tension in Palestine and the Kibya incident.

Other delegates had expected that the next step in the Council's proceedings would be for the representatives of Israel and the Arab States to give their views, but there was no immediate indication that either side was prepared to speak yet.

These Arab States which are not members of the Security Council—Lebanon is the only Arab member—have not yet requested a seat at the Council table to take part in the discussion. —Reuter.

Export Duty
On Tea

Colombo, Oct. 29.

The Ceylon Government today introduced a flat rate of 48 cents (8d.) a lb. duty on all tea exported from this country. The new rate goes into effect at midnight.

The previous Government had been considering changes in the existing legislation which provides for a sliding scale of duty on tea and coconut.

Explaining the new move the Finance Minister, Sir Oliver Goonetilleke, said that since this sliding scale was introduced some time ago, shippers had exploited the situation, to serve their own ends. —Reuter.

Choirs Festival
In St Paul's

London, Oct. 29.

A mixed choir of more than 1,800, among the biggest ever heard in Britain, will sing at the annual Choirs Festival of the London Diocese in St Paul's Cathedral tonight.

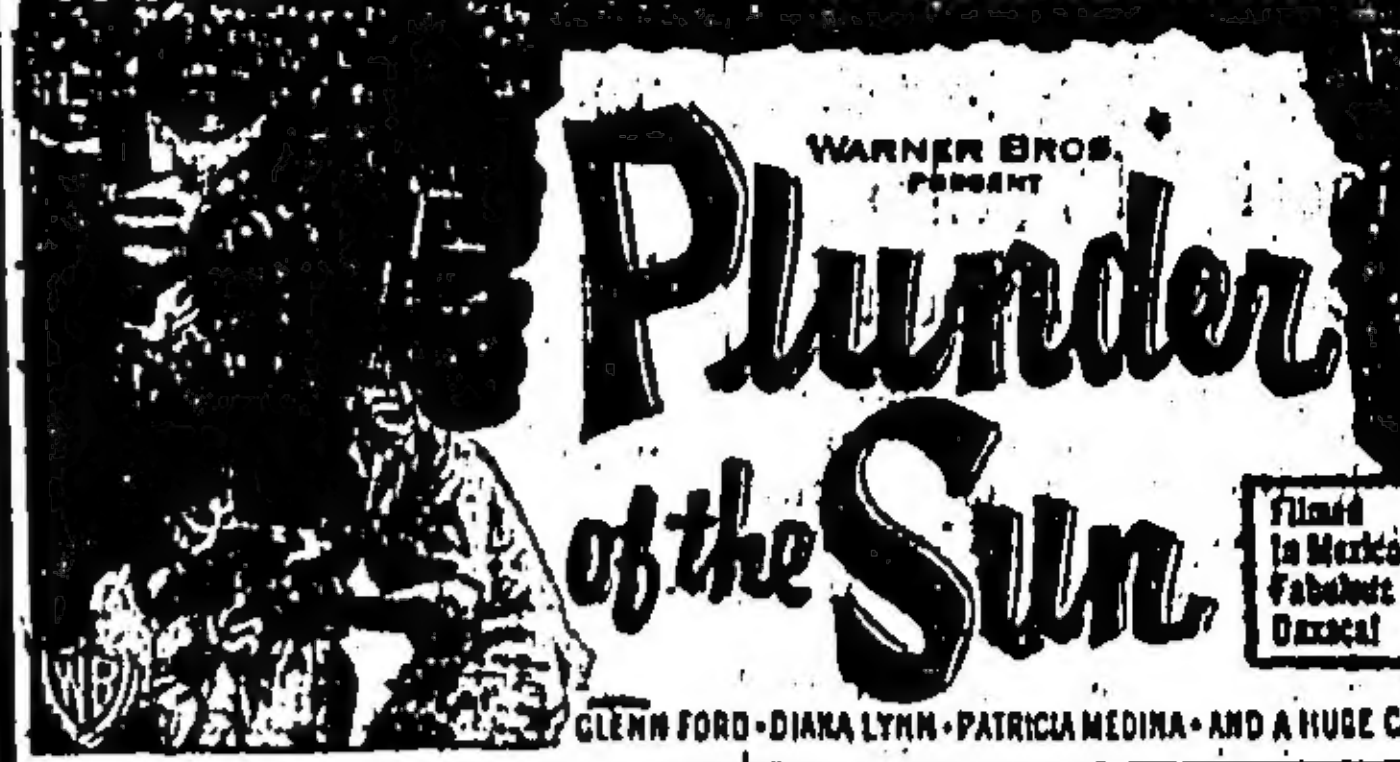
It will include 500 boys, among them the Cathedral's boys choir just back from a North American tour.

The singers will occupy the whole of the seating space below St Paul's great dome. —China Mail Special.

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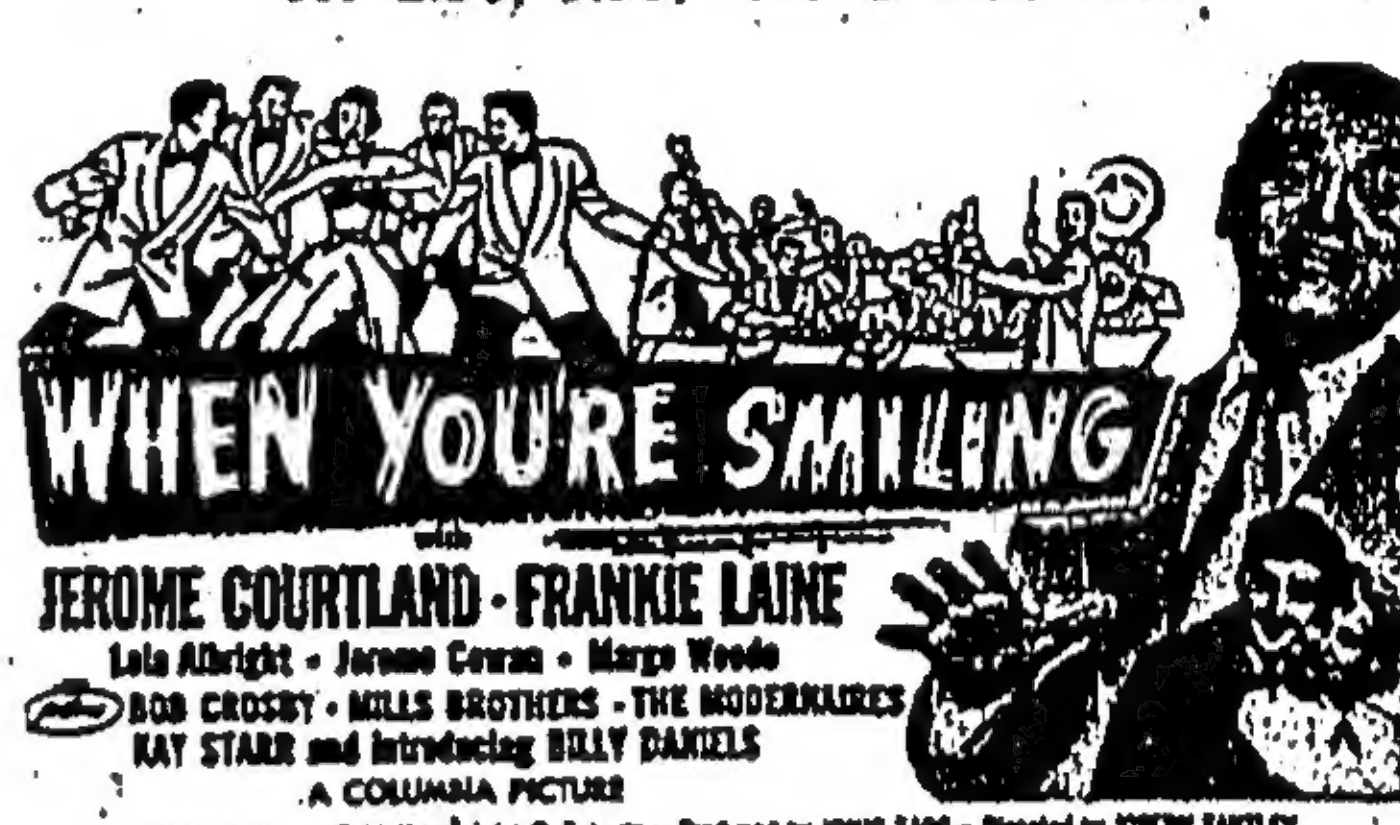
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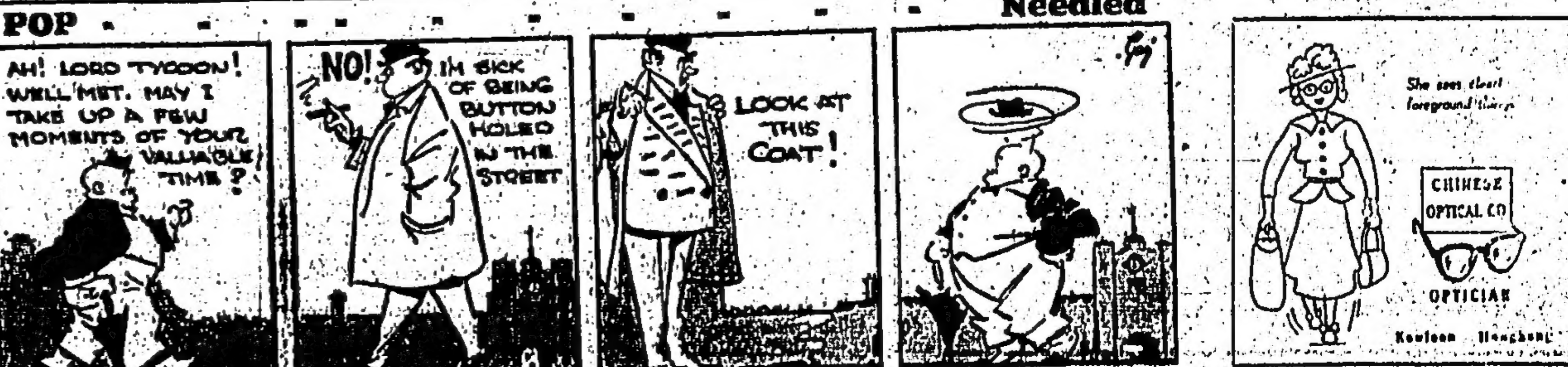
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Decision By Britain On European Free Trade

Second Protest Made Against U.S. Bases In Greece

London, Oct. 29. The Bulgarian Government today added its protest to that of Russia three days ago against the establishment of American bases in Greece, the Bulgarian News Agency reported tonight.

The Agency said the Sofia Government had asked the Secretary-General of the United Nations, Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld, to pass on the protest to the Greek Government, as Bulgaria has no direct diplomatic relations with Greece.

(The Soviet protest note three days ago said the creation of American bases on Greek territory was "a threat to security and peace in the Balkans.")

In a letter to Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld, Dr. Mincho Neychev, Bulgarian Foreign Minister, referred to the agreement of October 12 between the Greek and the United States Governments on the establishment of military, naval and air bases in Greece.

"The establishment of military bases manned by United States forces in Greece, with whom Bulgaria has a common frontier, is contrary to the repeated declarations by the Greek Government that it is striving for a consolidation of peace in the Balkans and desires normal relations with its neighbours," the letter declared.

NOT MENACED

"A policy aimed at setting up military bases in Greece manned by foreign troops could in no way be justified by alleged requirements of defence seeing that Greece, as is well known, is not menaced by anybody," the letter stated.

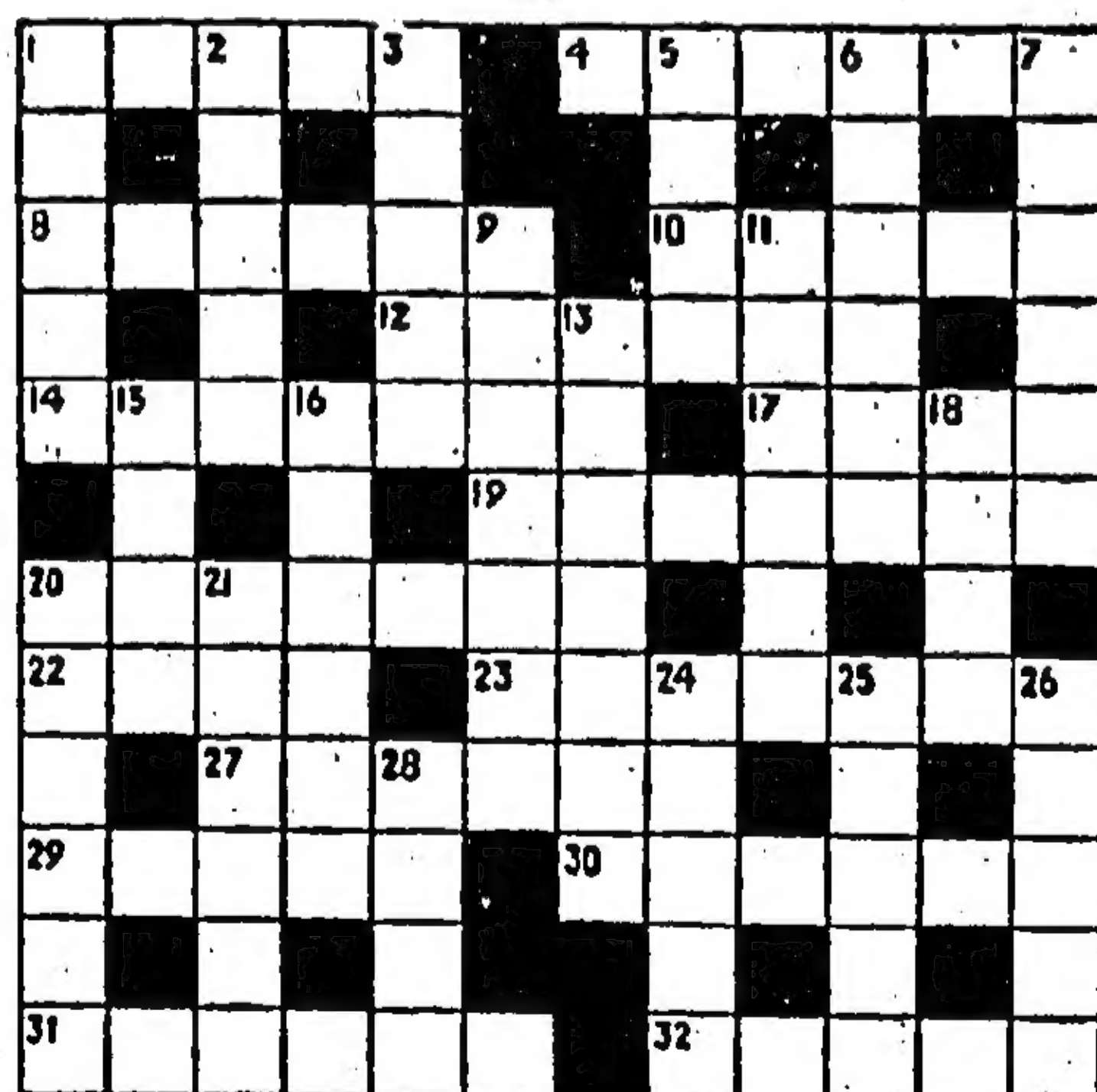
"No one has any intention of attacking her."

"The Bulgarian Government deems it necessary to declare that responsibility for any possible consequences of such a policy would fall on the Government of Greece."

U.S. General's Hope

Seoul, Oct. 29. General Lemuel C. Shepherd, Jr., American Marine Commandant, told his men here today he hoped they would get home "in the not too distant future," but he added, "You know better than I that we cannot trust the Communists." The General said the Marines they must remain on the alert.—Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 1 Indifferent to pleasure or pain (5).
- 4 Container for liquid (6).
- 6 Biblical mount (6).
- 10 Angry (5).
- 12 Speaks eloquently (6).
- 14 Gentle (7).
- 17 Party (4).
- 19 Makes certain (7).
- 20 Culpable (7).
- 22 Slurp (4).
- 23 Tidy (7).
- 27 Abundance (6).
- 28 Stout (5).
- 30 Unmarried (6).
- 31 Refrain from (6).
- 32 Avarice (5).

DOWN

- 2 Rascal (5).
- 3 Egg-shaped (5).
- 5 Utter disorder (5).
- 6 Fall to include (4).
- 8 Awkward question (6).
- 9 Throws out (6).
- 11 Criminal disloyalty (7).
- 13 Carry on again (6).
- 15 Avers (7).
- 16 Bathing-place (4).
- 18 Horrific (6).
- 19 Prison room (4).
- 20 Harmony (6).
- 21 Urges forward (6).
- 24 Expiring (5).
- 25 Knave (6).
- 26 Product (5).
- 28 Fish (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 3 Twitters, 8 Heed, 9 Resonant, 11 Cardinal, 13 Mean, 15 Completed, 18 Reserved, 19 Gaur, 21 Liberate, 25 Outfitter, 26 Pair, 27 Moderate, Down: 1 Chic, 2 Peer, 4 Wren, 5 Tool, 6 Evade, 7 Satan, 8 Rider, 10 Bares, 12 Alone, 14 Alert, 16 Trepid, 17 Deter, 19 Gloam, 20 Acted, 21 Liar, 22 Beet, 23 Arab, 24 Earl.

P.P.P. Shop Raided



Men of the Royal Welch Fusiliers raid the bookshop of the People's Progressive Party in Regent Street, Georgetown, British Guiana, in a move to combat the threat to the security of the country by the Communist "P.P.P." party under the leadership of the ex-Prime Minister, Dr. Cheddi Jagan.—Express Photo.

France Makes Challenge To The Soviet

"Stop Campaign Of Hatred"

United Nations, Oct. 29.

France today challenged Russia to stop using "poisoned weapons of hatred and lies," such as its germ war charges, if it wants to prove it desires peaceful co-existence with the West.

The French United Nations delegate, M. Henri Hoppenot, accused the Communists of "welching and cowardice" in refusing to permit an impartial inquiry into their charges that American troops in Korea had engaged in germ warfare.

The French diplomat castigated the Reds for their torture of American fliers to obtain "confession"—torture that was luridly described early this week by the American delegate, Dr. Charles Mayo.

Mr. Hoppenot argued that testimony of prisoners, whether or not obtained by torture, was worthless.

"Nevertheless," he added, "it is our duty to pay a tribute of admiration to those men of whom Dr. Mayo gave us the testimony, and who, as so many martyrs of the underground in the cells of the Nazi Gestapo, faced torture and death rather than testify against their conscience."

"I am hopeful that this is the last time the Assembly will deal with this disgraceful matter. I am hopeful that a pall of forgetfulness will be cast on this disturbing and painful episode in propaganda warfare," the French delegate said.

TRUTH WILL PREVAIL

"Would that the Soviet Union would draw a lesson... that nothing can prevail against the truth. All the lies and slanders from all sources and all wave-lengths finally have come home to roost with the authors. Let the Communist germs war campaign and the peaceful evolution of peoples be developed."

"If the Soviet Union wants that, it can prove it by creating a proper climate for peace and by renouncing the use of poisoned weapons of hatred and lies."

"The work of rapprochement cannot be played on the chords of the hearts of masses subjected to this propaganda. We should close this book today because this is a trial on which world public opinion already has given a verdict," M. Hoppenot concluded.

Cuba, the Philippines, the Dominican Republic and Turkey also took the floor to denounce the Communist germs war campaign and the campaign of torture used to extort confessions from American fliers.—United Press.

French Jet Planes For India

Toulon, Oct. 29. The aircraft carrier Dixmude leaves today for Bombay with 35 French jet fighters, bought by the Indian Government.

A French Air Force mission is accompanying the shipment to instruct Indian fliers in the use of the craft.—United Press.

U.S. Industrialists Urge Lowering Of Tariff Barriers

Washington, Oct. 29.

A Committee of industrial leaders urged the Government today to lower tariff barriers and provide temporary compensation for those "limited industries" which cannot compete against cheaper foreign products.

That, in general, is the plan which Mr. Henry Ford II is pushing.

It was advanced today by the newly organized Committee For A National Trade Policy in testimony prepared for the President's Commission on foreign economic policy.

The group's Chairman and spokesman, Mr. John S. Coleman, President of Burroughs Corporation, Detroit, Michigan, said that increased imports were necessary to "reduce the burden of foreign aid on American taxpayers."

"It is better," he said, "to subsidize the readjustment of an enterprise during the limited period of transition and be done with the problem once and for all than to use a tariff to subsidize that enterprise forever because it cannot meet competition."

Other leaders of Mr. Coleman's group include Mr. John J. McCloy, Chairman of the Chase National Bank, New York, Mr. Joseph P. Spang, Junior President of the Gillette Safety Razor Company, Boston, Mr. Harry A. Sullivan, Chairman of General Mills, Inc., Minneapolis, and Mr. Ralph I. Straus, Director of R. H. Macy and Company, New York.

The presidential commission is charged with drafting trade proposals for submission to Congress next year. It planned to wind up two days of public hearings on the controversial issue late today.

FORD CRITICISED

Government measures to alleviate economic dislocations caused by foreign imports drew varied degrees of backing yesterday from the CIO, AFL and Committee for Economic Development.

The latter two groups urged further tariff reductions. But another witness contended that past tariff reductions already have exposed American firms to "unfair" foreign competition and attacked Mr. Ford and other "zealots" for advocating freer trade.

Mr. O. R. Strickland of the nationwide Committee of Industry, Agriculture and Labour on export-import policy, said that Mr. Ford had falsely asserted that freer trade would only result in "pin-point dislocation" of "small groups."

Mr. Strickland gave a list of industries which, he said, needed protection from foreign competition. These were: cattle and sheep and dairying, coastal fishing, fruits and vegetables, coal mines, certain chemical makers, scientific apparatus makers, cotton textiles, pottery, glassware, factories, bicycle and motorcycle makers, paper and cordage manufacturers.

"To Mr. Ford," he said, "all these are more pinpoints in our economy managed, no doubt, by pinheads who do not know how to establish mass production, or to compete with imports."—United Press.

Thailand MP's On European Tour

Bangkok, Oct. 29. A visiting Thai parliamentarian mission left Bangkok by plane today for Switzerland.

The mission, which has spent a few days in Spain, will go on to Italy before returning to Thailand.—France Press.

Court Drama

Rajkot, Pakistan, Oct. 29.

A smartly-dressed girl walked into court here and asked permission of the magistrate to commit suicide by drinking a bottle of poison she was carrying.

"I want to go to the house of my lover," she said. "If your Worship is not inclined to grant my request then allow me to commit suicide here."

She was seized before she could take the poison and was arrested for attempted suicide.—China Mail Special.

Personal Contacts Advocated

London, Oct. 29.

The Supply Minister, Mr. Duncan Sandys, said today that he fully supported visits to Commonwealth countries by responsible British officials at every level.

Mr. Sandys, who recently visited Australia, where he inspected the Woomera range, New Zealand and Malaya, told a luncheon gathering of the Commonwealth Correspondents Association in London:

"There is great value in personal contacts between those who have responsibilities in this country and those of similar responsibilities in other countries."

"After visits to Australia and New Zealand, I am more convinced than ever of the value of personal contacts. We must multiply them in every possible way at every level and in every branch of the country."

"It is most important that we should know each other and understand each other's point of view."

Mr. Sandys said it was more important than ever to maintain the closest contacts in the Commonwealth because of the great political and scientific changes facing them.

Mr. Sandys said his visit to Australia and New Zealand had fascinated him.

Here are two points from his address: he had read a lot about and seen many photographs of the Woomera development but he had not appreciated the vast scope of the enterprise until he got there. Britain was extremely indebted for the work done by the Australian Government and Australian servicemen.

He said: "I met people who had worked 12 hours a day for weeks on end to have the Woomera trial ground ready in time."—Reuter.

Diesel-Engined Car Soon

London, Oct. 29.

Britain is to launch her first diesel-engined production car as a "wonder" market "soon after Christmas."

The car, a product of the Standard Motor Company of Coventry, is claimed to have a bigger performance with baby prices.

The company said today that three runs had shown the car could operate at only one farthing a mile. (This figure is based on the cost of diesel fuel bought in bulk; private motorists throughout the world have to pay higher prices.)

An average fuel consumption of 40 miles per gallon, and a top speed of more than 60 miles per hour, are also claimed.—China Mail Special.

Paris, Oct. 29.

Britain today gave European free trade a big impetus by announcing that she would remove quota restrictions from 75 per cent of her imports from other States belonging to the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation.

At the same time her spokesman, Mr. R. A. Butler, Chancellor of the Exchequer, warned against any precipitate action to extend this "liberalisation" to the whole range of imports.

Mr. Butler said that before the end of the year Britain would extend liberalisation to 75 per cent of her imports, despite the risks involved to her balance of payments.

She would also increase from £40 to £50 a year the annual tourist allowance for Britons travelling abroad.

Mr. Butler, who was speaking before the OEEC Ministerial Council, said that the British motive was "not to increase our own comfort or to indicate a desire for relaxation."

The British step was taken to bring the country into line with the objectives of OEEC—which

call for 75 per cent liberalisation for all its 18 members—and "our desire to be good Europeans."

Two other members today also gave proof of their intention to move towards free European trade.

WIDE GAP

France, lagging farthest behind the movement towards free trade, will increase "liberalisation" from eight to 20 per cent at some future date.

Austria announced she would extend liberalisation from 35 to 50 per cent of the import range on January 1, 1954.

Today's meeting demonstrated a wide gap between, on the one hand, Britain and France—the principal debtors in the European Payments Union—and on the other, countries such as Italy and Germany.

The latter feel that they might have to retreat from their extreme liberal policies if the OEEC does not move forward from the 75 per cent level.

The Secretary and the Steering Board of OEEC have proposed that total liberalisation be introduced for a trial period. But Britain said it would be a great mistake to embark on such a project by a definite date with the risk of finding the plan untenable.

Mr. Butler suggested that a different technique was needed to tackle what he called the "hard core" of trade restrictions—Reuter.

CAUTION EXPLAINED

Paris, Oct. 29.

The French Economic and Finance Minister, M. Edgar Faure, announced today his Government's decision to increase from eight per cent to 20 per cent the free entry of imports from countries belonging to the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation.

Further French decisions on the free entry of imports could be made at a later date, M. Faure said.

He told the OEEC Council that while the position of France's finances had improved, there was still work to be done in this field.

That, he explained, was why France had to act cautiously in freeing the import quotas for fear of losing the ground already made.—France-Press.

Victory For Reds In France

Paris, Oct. 29.

The Commission of Parliamentary Immunities of the National Assembly refused to remove the immunities enjoyed by four Communist Party leaders—Jacques Duclos, Etienne Fajon, Raymond Guyot and Francois Blaise—and one "purged" Communist leader, Andre Marty.

Over a year ago on October 21, 1952, they had been charged by the Minister for Defence with attempting "to demoralise the army and the nation."

The Commission first decided, with five abstentions, that the legislation under which the Minister based the case could not be applied to Parliamentarians in peace-time.

By 10 votes to eight, with one abstention, the Commission decided that the facts involved did not constitute a sufficient case against them.

The full National Assembly will vote on the Commission's recommendations about November 10. If it follows the Commission, the cases against the Deputies will have to be dropped.—France-Press.

NEW MINISTRY IN RUMANIA

Paris, Oct. 29.

The Bucharest Radio tonight announced the creation of a Ministry of Cultural Affairs in Rumania, and named the Rumanian Communist Party member, Constantin Gracianu, as the Minister who will run it.

The new Ministry was formed by the amalgamation of separate committees which have been dealing with different aspects of culture, such as art, the cinema and "cultural establishments," as well as the publishing and book distribution organisations.—France-Press.

"SINCERE GIFT" REJECTED

London, Oct. 29. Britain has rejected a free gift of 20,000 tons of butter, offered by a New York firm.

Both the British Red Cross and the Women's Voluntary Services turned down the gift and later a representative of the donors wrote to the Ministry of Food and to the Duke of Edinburgh explaining that the gift was a sincere one.

Commenting on the affair, a Ministry of Food spokesman said that acceptance of free surplus butter from America would not affect Britain's trade arrangements with any country.

"Except for America there is a world shortage of butter. The Ministry is always open to buying butter provided price and the currency situation make it possible."—Reuter.

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PELLA SEES LANIEL

Paris, Oct. 29.

The Italian Premier and Foreign Minister, Signor Giuseppe Pella, was received today by the French Premier, M. Joseph Laniel.

Also present at the talks was the Italian Ambassador, Signor Pietro Quaroni.

When Signor Pella arrived at the French Premier's office, a Republican Guard detachment provided military honours.—France-Press.

FOREST FIRES' HUGE TOLL

Washington, Oct. 29.

Canadian forest fires took an average yearly toll of nearly 2,000,000 acres of timber, valued at about \$4,000,000, the Canadian Resources Minister, Mr. Jean Lesage, said here today.

In a speech prepared for delivery to the fourth American Forestry Congress, Mr. Lesage said this rate of loss was estimated at double the rate "that could be tolerated for the practice of sustained-field forestry."—Reuter.

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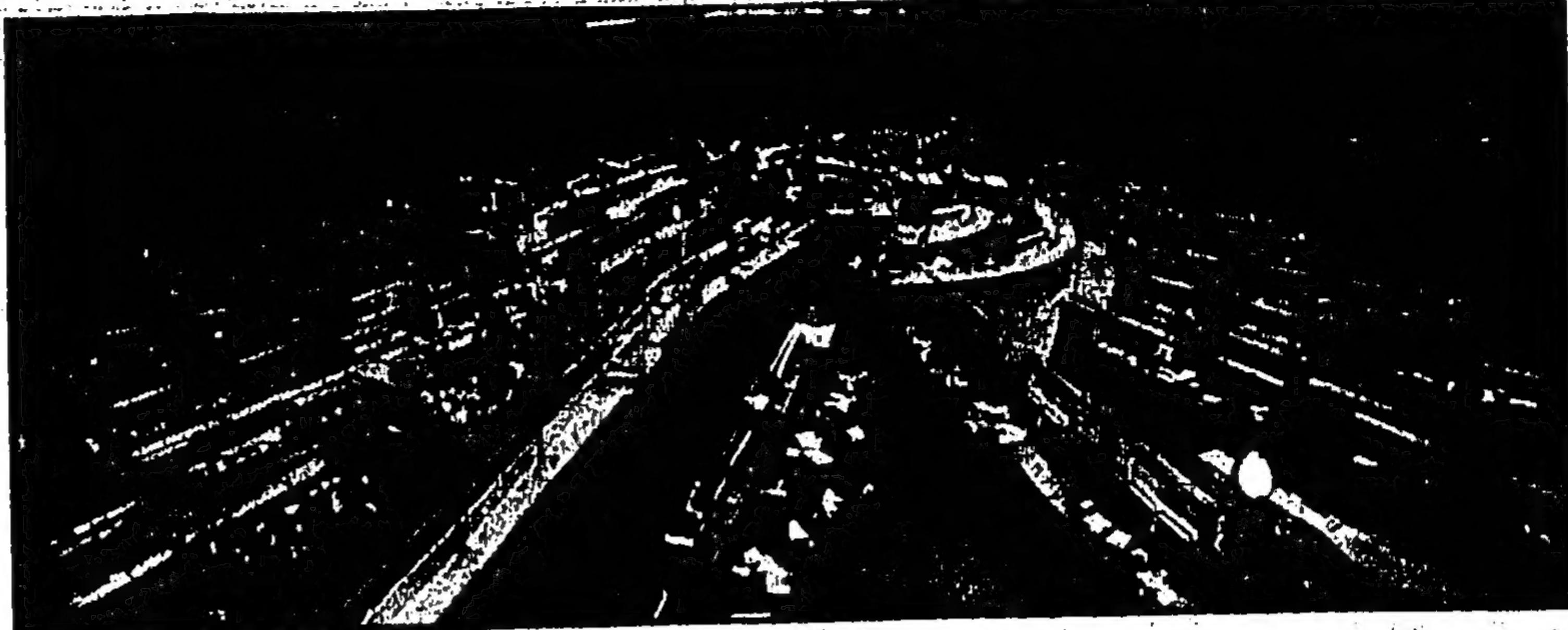
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The British Museum What's a 200th birthday when you talk in thousands?

by VIVIEN BATCHELOR

THE British Museum celebrates its 200th anniversary this year. But the 548 people employed at the Museum are taking the birthday calmly.

If you deal in antiquities dating back thousands of years, a mere bi-centenary is scarcely worthy of note. "But we have mounted some special exhibitions to mark the occasion," said Mr. J. McIntyre, the assistant secretary.

One of the exhibitions is a collection of 180 drawings, letters and medals and a terra cotta by Michelangelo—some of them lent by the Queen.

An exhibition of maps will be the largest ever held at the museum. It is in the King's Library, and has been assembled by Mr. R. A. Skelton and one of the few women employed at the Museum, Miss H. M. Wallis.

Miss Wallis, a geographer, has been assistant keeper at the museum since 1951. "It's most exciting work. Do you know, I discovered an entirely unknown copy of the earliest English globe once!"

Miss Wallis made her discovery in 1949 at Lord Leconfield's home at Petworth, Sussex, where she had gone to do some cataloguing.

Half Million Maps
Mr. Skelton and Miss Wallis look after half a million maps dating from the 8th century B.C. to modern times.

"People from all over the world come to consult us on maps," said Mr. Skelton. Another woman who works on some of the treasures in the museum is 26-year-old Miss Elizabeth Lucas, a red-haired student from Trotschcliffe, Kent. She is studying under the Institute of Archaeology and helps to repair Ming vases and ancient porcelains which have been damaged.

Another department of the British Museum deals with today and not with history. In the copyright receipt office a copy of every newspaper published in Britain arrives every day and has to be catalogued and filed. Every book and every

magazine is kept, too. Any publisher who does not send a copy of his publication to the British Museum is liable to a fine of £5.

Mr. E. H. Hinton has been in the department for 34 years. "Last year we received 107,232 copies of newspapers, 133,084 books, magazines, music pieces and maps."

As there is not room for all the books and papers at the museum, many of them are sent to Colindale, Middlesex, where they are kept, bound, for ever.

It is not only new books that help to fill the museum. On the shelves around the famous

domed reading room are 6,000-000 books on almost every subject and in every language.

"Every year they increase and additional copies take up one and a quarter miles of shelving," said Mr. N. F. Sharp, superintendent of the Reading Room, told us. "We lost a quarter of a million books in the war through bombing."

Admission to the Reading Room is by ticket only. "Some people have come here every day for years. They are mostly people engaged in permanent research. Other people write books here."

"Many of the old characters are dying out, but we still have

two regular readers who are over 90."

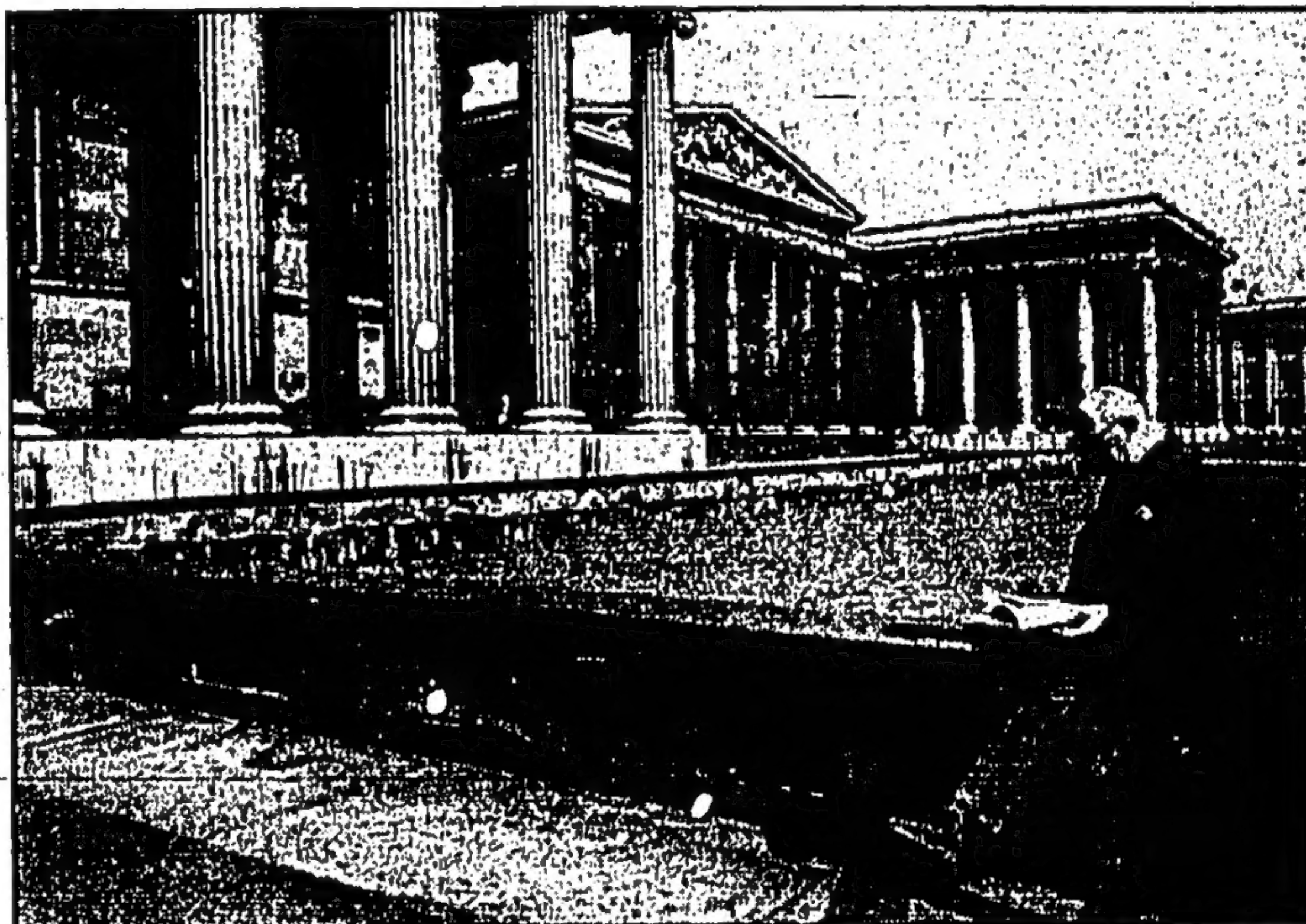
The tax-payer helps to pay for the museum's upkeep. The 1953-54 vote from Parliament was £302,000. Out of this the salaries of the staff take £240,000.

The affairs of the Museum are administered by 51 trustees, of whom 20 form a standing committee.

Principal Trustees

Principal trustees are the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Lord Chancellor and the Speaker of the House of Commons.

One trustee is appointed by the Crown. The present Royal trustee is the Marquess of Cambridge. The director is Sir Thomas Kendrick.



THE DIRECTOR of the British Museum, Sir Thomas Kendrick, sits in the fore-court of the building, which is built on the site of the former Montague House.

THE FABULOUS DAWSON

By J. W. TAYLOR

WHO is this "Spot-Cash Dawson," the Wonder Boy from Brixton, "the Serap Metal King," now set on smashing the ban on the landing of Icelandic fish into British ports and giving housewives cheap fish?

This burley 45-year-old Cockney millionaire scrap dealer from Battersea, non-smoker and non-gambler, except in business, was already newspaper headline news when he joined the Army in the last war. As early as 1938 he had told reporters that having made and lost £300,000 in second-hand motor vehicle deals, he was then penniless. But not for long.

Square-bashing and military duties over, George Dawson visited a friend in Guernsey shortly after the war. He saw big opportunities in the heaps of scrap metal and military equipment left by the Germans after their occupation of the island. Recognising that there was a fortune to be made for anyone who could quickly dispose of it in the pre-war market, he arranged to acquire the lot from the Ministry of Supply. Most of it he soon sold, bringing him considerable financial advantage.

THE Presidential private railroad coach, "U.S. Car No. 1," which is 143 tons of armoured luxury, looks like following the Presidential yacht "Williamsburg" into mothballs.

Mr. Eisenhower travels mostly by air. He has used the coach only once since his inauguration. It was built by the Pullman Company in 1942 for President Roosevelt.

their hands and have it moved away—at give-away prices. He entered the game against other shrewd, fast-working operators. Deals would be clinched after all-day dashes across the Continent, in powerful sports cars or hastily commissioned planes. And thus did the fabulous George Dawson prosper.

Although he smilingly rejects outside reckonings that he has made a cool £35 millions in buying and selling war surplus on an international basis and in his other business transactions since leaving the Army, he does not dispute that he has at times made fantastic profits on his deals.

Not all his deals have been successful or profit-making. He claims that the outbreak of the Korean war cost him a fortune. Surplus war material he had bought from the Americans in Germany suddenly became valuable, and his former owners requisitioned it. Dawson always claimed that the compensation paid to him was totally inadequate.

ABORTIVE ATTEMPT
Another stroke of hard luck was his abortive attempt to buy-up the £4 million worth of Greek war surplus material and reparations. The Greeks suddenly changed their mind and brought from George a bitter "You can't do business with people like that."

As a young man working in his native Battersea, Dawson struggled to keep going a small scrap iron and junk yard in a back street near Brixton. Hull. At the age of 20, he and a pal bought a lorry between them out of hard-earned savings—the first Dawson acquisition of

equipment that was to be the foundation of his fabulous business progress. Both worked daily with but a few hours sleep driving loads of scrap to different parts of the country. Gradually Dawson built up a bank balance and launched out into the scrap metal trade, in a big way. Came the time when he needed but 30 seconds to stop up the worth of a second-hand lorry.

Dawson admits to having "burned his fingers" now and then, but his remarkable business acumen has enabled him to offset this—and today his personal and financial status in "the trade" is unchallenged.

NO STOPPING HIM
He will need all his wit, brains and toughness to win through with his intervention in the fish trade, noted for the high-powered finance of many who have been in the business a lifetime, and their fathers before them, but once George has a "yen" for anything, there is no stopping his determination to go through with it. He married his wife Olga, an attractive ex-show girl and daughter of a White Russian colonel, after the war. It was Olga Myers (her stage name) second marriage. Together with their two children, they live in sumptuous circumstances. There was a splendid villa at Cannes and a £60,000 yacht to help make their life more comfortable, but last year these had to be sold to meet French income tax demands and enable George to better conduct his affairs from his London centre.



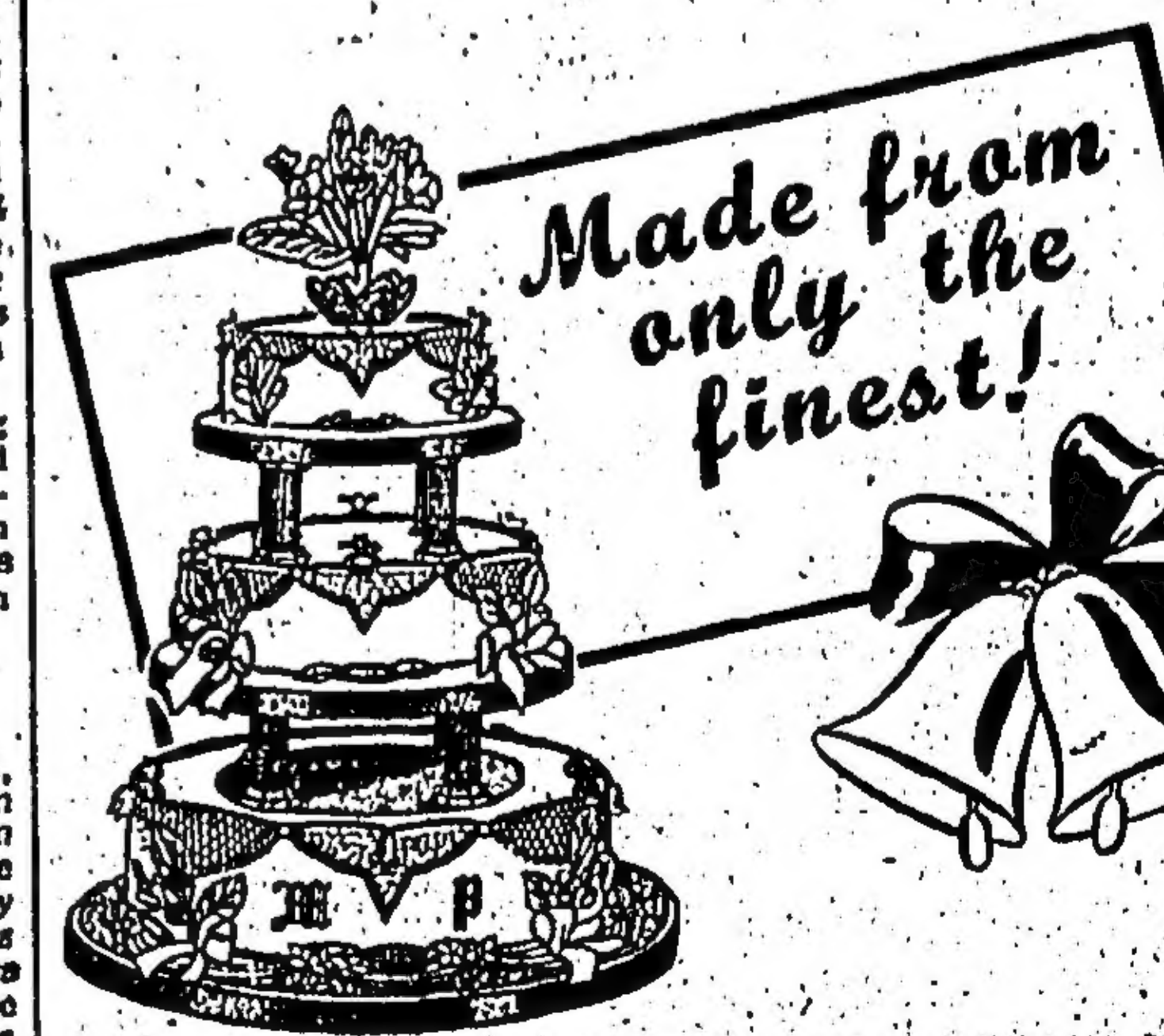
MR J. PRESCOTT, 68, works on a cast of one of the heads on exhibition in the Museum. This head is to go to New Zealand. Mr Prescott has worked at the Museum for 45 years. Top left: Under the domed roof (second largest in Europe) of the famous reading room, 470 people can sit at desks at the same time.



MISS H. M. WALLIS, assistant keeper in the map section, examines an early English globe dated 1592.



STUDENT Bianco Ben, from the St Martin's Art School, visits the British Museum regularly to sketch.



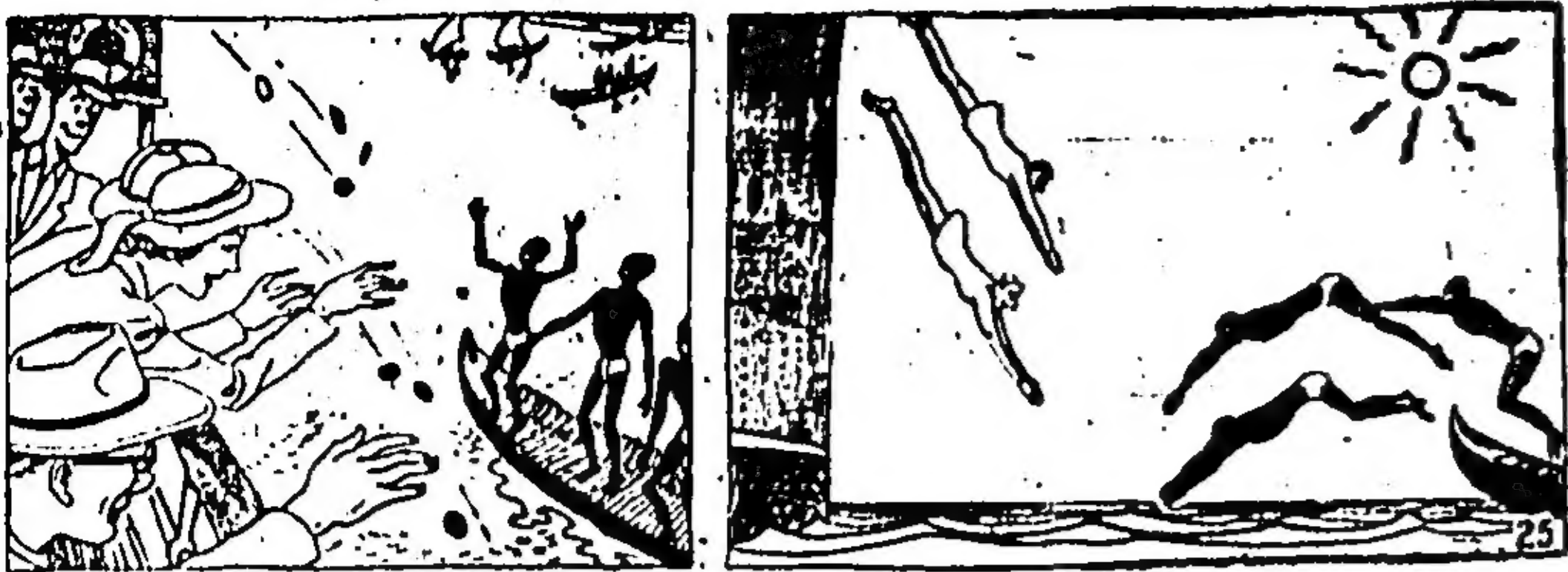
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A rousing chorus

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DEATHS

WALLER—On October 30, 1953, at No. 4, Conduit Road, Kaituma (Kaituma) Waller, wife of Prosper Waller, after a long illness, at the age of 37 years. The funeral will take place at the Colonial Cemetery this evening, the cortege passing the Monument at 5.30 p.m.

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R. M. OMAR,

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ability any questions which shareholders may wish to put. The reports and accounts were adopted on a resolution of the chairman, seconded by Mr J. L. Marden.

DIVIDEND

The chairman also put the following resolution to the meeting that a dividend of 14 per cent, free of tax, out of profits not liable to Corporation Profits Tax, be paid to the registered shareholders on October 30, 1953, of the 1,032,770 shares, comprising the issued capital of the company as at March 31, 1953, amounting to a total of \$722,939. The balance of \$584,388 was to be carried forward. This resolution was seconded by Mrs M. Linn.

Mr G. E. Marden also proposed that Mr F. J. Horman-Fisher, Mr W. G. E. Lannaman, and Mr J. L. Marden, who retired in accordance with articles, be re-elected directors. This was seconded by Mrs Linn and carried.

Messrs Lowe, Bingham and Matthews were re-appointed auditors on a proposal by Mr Lannaman, seconded by Mr J. L. Marden.

Protest Rallies

London, Oct. 29. Mass meetings were held in Warsaw and Gdansk today protesting against the seizure of the 8,200-ton Polish ship, as Posen, in the Formosa Straits on October 6 by the Chinese Nationalist Navy, according to Warsaw Radio monitored here today.

The meetings adopted resolutions demanding punishment of those responsible which will be sent to the United States Embassy in Warsaw.—Reuters.

Trieste Party Headquarters Raided



Jeering and whistling crowds of students and citizens of Trieste recently made an attack on the headquarters of the Committee for a Free and Independent Trieste, broke up furniture and prevented the distribution of all but a handful of daily news bulletins. Here some of the mob are seen as they break up a form during the attack.—Express Photo.

Giant Sapphire Up For Sale

Brisbane, Oct. 29.
A 322-carat sapphire—the "Golden Willow"—is to be offered for sale in the United States, where it is expected to bring about £475,000 (£60,000 sterling).
The huge gem was sold originally by prospector Harold Clifton-Patt in 1952 in Central Queensland at an undisclosed price.
He said it brought him enough to send his mother to England for a trip and to allow him "walk-about" in Europe.
The sapphire is about the size of a bantam egg.—China Mail Special.

Gloom In Republican Camp

New York, Oct. 29.
A survey by correspondents of the New York Times showed today that Republican politicians in many parts of the country were gloomy about their party's ability to win next year's Congressional elections.
The correspondents' reports, the New York Times said in an introductory note, "reflect an increasingly critical attitude toward the Administration in many sections, particularly in the farming areas."
Recent developments on which the correspondents sought comment included the surprise Democratic victory in the ninth Wisconsin district, where Republicans had never before lost such an election.
The reports are:
New England—"The Republican Party will have to come rolling up its sleeves in 1954 (but) it is much too early to determine what the issues in this region will be one year hence."
Atlantic States—"There is a strong feeling that (President Eisenhower) has had time enough in which to 'feel his way' and should start moving on positive programs. Many voters who accepted the decision of the Eisenhower Administration to postpone action on some vital matters 'until further study' have stated in letters to newspapers that they want action—now."

ON THE WANE
The South—"Republican popularity is definitely on the wane because of two important issues—the Tennessee Valley Authority policy of the Eisenhower Administration and falling farm income that has not been accompanied by receding consumer prices."
"Mr. Eisenhower's 'creeping socialism' comment (about the Authority), a giant Federal hydro-electric complex, and Secretary of the Interior McKay's power policy have left many of the President's warm supporters in 1952 completely disillusioned."

Middle West—"In the agricultural areas the sole topic of conversation is falling farm prices."
"People are recalling the Roosevelt 'hundred days' while not agreeing that all that was done was good, the feeling is that there was a lot of action and a dynamic bustle that is totally lacking today."
West Coast—"Democratic spokesmen in this region are confident that the stock of the Republican Party has slipped since inauguration day. Republican leaders are far from sure that it hasn't."
Unrest in the farm valleys is fairly general.—China Mail Special.

KOSB Honoured By Two Scots Border Towns

There were large crowds and gay scenes in the decorated streets of the border towns of Stanraer and Selkirk when the Duchess of Gloucester accepted the Freedom of these two Royal Burghs on behalf of the King's Own Scottish Borderers, of which she is Colonel-in-Chief.

Detachments of the 1st Battalion came over from Northern Ireland, where they are now stationed, for the ceremonies. The troops wore Lowland bonnets with black cocks' feathers, No. 1 tunics, Leslie tartan trews, white buff belts, gloves and spats. The colours of the 1st, 2nd, 4th and 5th Battalions were in the parades.

At Stanraer the ceremony took place in Stair Park, and was attended by Provost William Dyer and provosts of other Galloway towns, the Earl and Countess of Stair, the Earl of Galloway, Lord-Lieutenant of the Stewartry, Colonel J. G. Crabbe, Lord-Lieutenant of Dumfriesshire, and Major-General E. G. Miles, Colonel of the Regiment.

The Stanraer freedom scroll is of fine calf vellum, illuminated in full colour, pure gold and silver being used in the manner of the mediaeval Venetian craftsmen. The scroll bears the burgh crest, the crest of the regiment, and sections of Leslie tartan, above a list of battles fought from 1688 to 1945, to Korea 1951-52. When presenting it, Provost Dyer spoke of the community's pride that so many men of Stanraer and Wigtonshire had served in the ranks of the K. O. S. B. in two world wars and recently in Korea. Although the town's association dated only from the First World War, he continued, they yielded to no one in their admiration, respect and affection for the Regiment. The 7th (Galloway) Battalion, which fought so splendidly at Arrhen, was largely recruited from Wigtonshire.

Twice before Stanraer has honoured military men—first, the Volunteers who returned from the South African War, and then those men who won decorations in World War Two. But this was the first time that the royal burgh had honoured a regiment.

ANCIENT CEREMONY
At Victoria Park, Selkirk, Her Royal Highness took the traditional oath of fealty on behalf of the regiment by "kneeling the birse." This ancient ceremony, in which her father took part in 1932 when he was made a Burgess, symbolises the ancient craft of shoemaking with which the burgh is associated, and the birse is dipped in a bowl of claret and then across the lips of the person receiving the freedom.

When the Duchess had completed the ceremony, she recalled in an address how the Selkirk Rifle Volunteer Corps had been formed nearly 100 years ago, and how 25 years later it had become affiliated to the King's Own Scottish Borderers.

"It is fortunate, too," she continued, "that it has been possible for the Colours of no less than four battalions of the Regiment to be present, so that they may be carried in the regiment's first ceremonial march through the streets of your Royal and Ancient Burgh."

Among the distinguished guests were Lieut. Gen Sir Colin Barber, GOC-in-C., Scottish Command, Sir Samuel Stringer, Lord-Lieutenant of Selkirkshire, Major-General E. G. Miles, the Duke and Duchess of Buccleuch and the Earl and Countess of Dalkeith.

BRITISH LADS' ADVENTURE

Immingham, Oct. 29.
Three British cabin boys arrived here last night from an unexpected 24-hour visit behind the Iron Curtain talking of Russian opera and motion pictures.

The three boys were the youngest members of the crew of the 4,700-ton British ship Beckenham, which broke in two during a North Sea storm. With other members of the crew they were rescued from the rough seas by seamen of four Russian ships and taken to Archangel. The boys said the Russians were "extremely kind" and no one tried to persuade them to stay or to adopt Communism. They were taken to the opera, and saw Russian opera and ballet films at a seamen's mess.

Edward Robson, 17, said his most vivid impression was of a girl who sat beside him in the cinema and translated the Russian dialogue for him.

Edward Howard, 18, injured his hand while helping to get the Beckenham's boats away and was treated by the medical officer aboard the Russian ship which picked them up.

The other cabin boy was Tom Weatherston, 16. They were brought here by the British freighter Iceland (2,879 tons).

The other 39 members of the crew will be landed at Tilbury on Friday by a Swedish ship.—China Mail Special.

Errors In Gradings Admitted

London, Oct. 29.
Sir Walter Monckton, Minister of Labour and National Service, told the House of Commons that he was satisfied that medical men on National Service Medical Boards were fully alive to their responsibility.
He was replying to a question about his inquiry into the work of these boards.
Nevertheless, Sir Walter said, some errors in grading had occurred.
To minimise errors, he proposed to relieve the Board chairman of non-medical work, which might be a distraction, and also to provide further safeguard, every man summoned to a medical board in future would be informed that if he had reason to think he had been given a wrong grading, he would be able to appeal.—China Mail Special.

Big Empire Air Development: Routes Joining U.K., Australia And Canada

An event of dramatic significance in the pattern of Commonwealth air power will be officially announced in the near future.
It will enable Australia, a Commonwealth member with less than 10 million population, by her own initiative and national airline, Qantas, to span the Commonwealth from Great Britain to Canada, via Australia, on the Pacific side.

In route mileage, Qantas will become one of the first six of the world's leading air transport operators, and the largest air transport organisation in the East.

The aircraft they will use for these two major routes are the British Bristol Britannia and the jet-powered Comet, as soon as they are ready.

It will be readily recognised that this will be an outstanding achievement in Commonwealth inter-Continental transport. Immense future development of British Commonwealth members may be pictured in this new conception of commercial communication and trade by air transport, in a manner which could not be achieved by surface transport.

The existing route structure from Great Britain to Australia is the B.O.A.C. and Qantas (Kangaroo) service between London and Sydney, in which the two companies share for economic handling and profit, and the arrangement works well by virtue of its Commonwealth ties. The Pacific route between Australia and the U.S. seaboard at San Francisco, and Canada at Vancouver, via the "Cocos Islands," is at present operated by British Commonwealth Pacific Airways (B.C.P.A.), set up by B.O.A.C., Tasman Airways (the New Zealand airline known as T.E.A.L.), and Qantas, with a financial interest of 20, 30 and 50 per cent. respectively.

EFFECT OF CHANGE
Talks have been proceeding with Australia's Prime Minister, Mr. R. G. Menzies, stating the case for, and the effect of this immense plan to be operated under the flag of Australia's Commonwealth Airlines, Mr. J. D. Prentice, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Civil Aviation, who flew in the Viscount in the air race to New Zealand (in the uniform of B.E.A. and ranking as a supernumerary), has been, there to "dot the i's and cross the t's" prior to the official announcement.

It will mean the sale by B.O.A.C. to Qantas of their financial interests in B.C.P.A. and possibly the New Zealand T.E.A.L., which they hold—as British Government nominees and, with the sale, their influence in B.C.P.A. and the Pacific sphere of the Australia to America airline service. It must be remembered, in passing on to this great plan, that B.O.A.C. has achieved almost a miracle of airline operation which has served to keep open the cause of the Commonwealth aviation pattern, until they can now relinquish much which has been an expensive and exacting duty.

B.O.A.C. have been associated and still are with a number of airline projects, most of which have been unprofitable, but essential to the growth of the Commonwealth air pattern; they could not have been developed except by association with B.O.A.C., as their balance sheets clearly show. As they grow stronger, B.O.A.C. will "pull out" financially and direct their resources to the determined purpose of an effective British round-the-world pattern with British jet airliner service.

QANTAS ACHIEVEMENTS
Australia's air transport achievement has little to do with political platitudes on Commonwealth development, but is mainly the story of Qantas airline and Hudson Fysh, the man who built it over 30 years of stubborn faith in the part air transport would play in the development of Australian natural resources. The Qantas title means, in full, Queensland and Northern Territories Air Services. Hudson Fysh has stuck to the original name of Qantas with the same determination that he has shown to make it the greatest of Commonwealth airlines. He is, in view of many, the greatest character in Commonwealth air transport.

It started with a survey by him in a makeshift motor-car and hundreds of miles of foot sloggings. He was the most prejudiced and determined figure as ever wrote books out, as well as his temper, to make Qantas live, by tramping uncharted backlands of Australia, and then to bully and cajole enough support to start operating a "stick and rag" service over the route he had surveyed.

The fact that Qantas has always made a profit, a tradition for 30 years, is unique in civil aviation history. It is also the mark of the man, who would gamble his reputation on a conviction inevitably, controversial, but never risk a Qantas penny before he could see it ringing a profit in the cash register.

Recognition of his years of successful pioneering work was the bestowal of the K.C.B. in the Coronation honours. Sir Wilfrid Hudson Fysh, K.C.B., is also the holder of many other honours and decorations, but especially does he prize his position as chairman and managing director of Qantas Empire Airways, Ltd.

To understand the meaning of Commonwealth commercial aviation as it affects Australia and Qantas, requires a perspective of the world pattern of civil aviation. There is envisaged a highly competitive pattern of global service, going about its business in a free world. Indeed, if we do not realise this, it is difficult for us to understand the staggering cost of the British air services to which we have been committed, and which are now giving real promise of outstanding success.

If we understand the Commonwealth conception of commercial aviation, it is to accept, as they do, that there has been no more revolutionary factor in their history, than the service of air transport. We must realise that Great Britain can fit into, as well as lead the new commercial pattern of Commonwealth development, largely through air transport quarters.

One must appear to digress briefly from commercial air transport better to emphasise its vital importance for the future of strategic Commonwealth defence, or to put it more plainly, why Australia is emerging now as a determined air power as well as a leader in civil aviation.

WAR SERVICES

During the last war we learned the hard lesson that Australia could be almost isolated from the rest of the Commonwealth, including Great Britain. The formidable prospect of defending themselves was brought fiercely home to Australians in that Great Britain or the rest of the Commonwealth could not effectively come to their aid. It is not perhaps the time to tell how Australian airmen succeeded against impossible odds over thousands of miles of ocean to establish air communications. They certainly established the conviction that never again should their lifeline be cut, and that only by air power, could they be properly linked in peace with the rest of the Commonwealth.

The first requisite of Commonwealth strength and unity in the future is clearly the strength of the air transport systems which each leading member will achieve as a national, inter-Continental operator. The Commonwealth's main trunk airlines will be those operated by members such as Australia, New Zealand, Canada, Africa and Great Britain. The domestic airlines of the Commonwealth will, as indeed they are doing today, promote new means of manufacture, and distribution of produce in the new era of development.

PACIFIC SPHERE

Beyond Australia are the vast Pacific and Eastern areas, a mighty sphere of undeveloped interests. Australia knows by experience how shrink are her millions of square miles and indeed those of the whole Far East because of air transport. We should be as fully aware as Australians are of American air transport enterprise for peace in the Pacific sphere. We should be aware of the intense national feelings of Australia and New Zealand, no more apparent in their make-up than in their jealousy of their sovereign air rights. There is ample evidence of British faith and the will to implement, this great concept of a Commonwealth pattern, with a strength and service of air transport not hitherto attained.

TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$202,503.20. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions—

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES

HANKS

HSK Bank ... 1910

East Asiatic ... 153

INSURANCES

Union ... 802 1/2

Indemnity ... 500

HSK Fire ... 150

SHIPPING

Waterboat ... 10 1/2

DOCKS, ETC.

K. Wharf ... 87 1/2

Dock ... 21 30 21 50

Provident (N) 12 30 12 15

Wheelock (N) 11 15 11 50

LAND, ETC.

HSK Hotel ... 7 50 7 50

HSK Land ... 63 200 63 200

HSK Land ... 47 1/2 47 1/2

HSK Land ... 10 1/2 10 1/2

UTILITIES

HSK ... 25 10 25 10

HSK ... 12 1/2 12 1/2

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The Rubber Markets

New York, Oct. 29.
Rubber futures closed 20-30 points higher with sales of 11 contracts.

Although quiet the market was higher in line with London and the local spot market. Shipments offerings were reported on the low side. A good-size business developed outside for first quarter 1954 delivery at steady prices, trade source indicated.

Spot No. 1 RSS moved up to 20 1/2 cents a pound. Prices of futures closed as follows:

Dec. 1954 ... 20 00 bid

March 1954 ... 20 20 bid

May ... 20 20 bid

July ... 20 20 bid

Sept. ... 20 20 bid

Nov. ... 20 20 bid

Dec. ... 20 20 bid

—United Press.

AMSTERDAM MARKET

Amsterdam, Oct. 29.
The rubber market was quiet. Prices closed as follows:

No. 1 rubber per lb. Nov. 1.50 buyers

No. 2 rubber per lb. Nov. 1.50 buyers

No. 3 rubber per lb. Nov. 1.52 nom.

No. 4 crepe rubber per lb. 1.75 paid

—United Press.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:

U.S. dollar (per \$1) ... 5.94

Sterling notes (per £1) ... 15.75

Indonesian guilders (per 100) ... 19.35

Singapore dollar (per \$1) ... 20.50

Singapore (Straits) ... 1.78

Indo-China piastres (per 100) ... 0.22

—United Press.

NEW YORK SUGAR MARKET

New York, Oct. 29.
World No. 4 sugar futures closed unchanged to five points higher with sales of 26 contracts.

Domestic No. 8 sugar futures closed unchanged to one point lower with sales of 126 contracts.

Prices:

Contract No. 4 (world) Jan. 1954 ... 2.10 nom.

March ... 2.14

May ... 2.18

July ... 2.22

Sept. ... 2.26

Nov. ... 2.30

Dec. ... 2.34

Spot—cents per lb. for Cuba ... 3.08

Contract No. 8 Jan. 1954 ... 5.50 nom.

March ... 5.47 bid

May ... 5.44 bid

July ... 5.41 bid

Sept. ... 5.38 bid

Nov. ... 5.35 bid

Dec. ... 5.32 bid

Spot—cents per lb. for N.Y. ex-dock ... 5.33

—United Press.

LONDON TIN MARKET

London, Oct. 29.
The tin market was firm. Spot gained 2 1/2 to £233 3/4 and three-month 2 1/2 to £213 3/4. Turnover was 45 tons of which five were for cash.

Tin, spot, buyers ... 233 3/4

Amsterdam ... 10 1/2 10 1/2

Business ... 10 1/2

3-month tin, buyers ... 213 3/4

Business ...

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Prison For Tricking Woman

Lee Wah, 41, fortune-teller, of unnumbered hut in Sai Tau Village, charged on two counts of larceny by trick was sentenced to eight months imprisonment by Mr. Hing-ching Lo at Central this morning.

The Prosecuting Officer said that the defendant was introduced to the complainant, Leung Yuk-ching, on September 3 by a person called Chan Do-sang. They went to a tea-house together and the defendant asked the complainant to give him \$15. If she wanted to become rich, the complainant gave defendant the money and was told to return to the same tea-house on September 5.

The complainant did so and was asked by the defendant for another \$13. When the complainant gave defendant the money she was told to return to the same tea-house in three days time. When she returned the defendant told her that he wanted \$330 dollars to buy some boxes, the complainant did not have the money with her but she paid the defendant on September 8. She was then given some yellow leaves to wash herself with and was told to return to the tea-house on September 13 when the defendant would take her to the place where she would find the money she wanted.

The day came, but complainant did not see the defendant at the tea-house.

No report was ever made, but the Police received information and arrested the defendant in Causeway Bay on October 24.

The Prosecuting Officer said that the defendant tricked another woman of \$402, two gold finger rings and a pair of earrings under similar conditions.

PRISONER'S SUICIDE

A Chinese prisoner, Fung Tim, committed suicide at the Victoria Remand Prison early this morning. He was found hanging from the bars of his cell window at about 12.05 a.m. When the medical officer arrived his opinion was that the prisoner had been dead for approximately half-an-hour.

The deceased had been sentenced to 10 days or \$50 on a charge of loitering yesterday.

FINAL CONCERT

The Hongkong Concert Orchestra will give its last summer season concert at the Ritz Garden on Sunday, starting at 9 p.m. The orchestra will be usual be conducted by its resident conductor, Victor Ardy and led by H. Dos Remedios.

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Whether you buy a mink or other cheaper fur, it is wiser and more economical to choose one sewn in the modern let-out manner expertly done by experienced craftsmen in Canada and North America. The fur garment so sewn appears as if it were made of one perfect skin with smooth fluid lines and the wearer does not need spending a good lump sum of money to re-model it every year as in the case of a cheap fur garment made of pelts-piling-upon-pelts way. Think of what a tremendous amount of money you've wasted in remodeling your fur garment made in that obsolete pelt-upon-pelt way. To avoid such sad disappointment, visit **MODE ELITE** and choose either mink or other fur pieces made in the modern "LET-OUT" way. Pretty Mouton coats only at \$850 each. Brilliant new collection of better mink pieces for attoppying your party gowns in "ROYAL PESTIL", "SILVER BLUE", "SAPPHIRE BLUE" just unpacked by air from top New York wholesale furriers for your discerning choice—all made in the latest "LET-OUT" way. Come and let **MODE ELITE** show you the difference. These are the "MOST BEAUTIFUL" gifts that will be ethetically appreciated by your beloved ones.

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Just The Right Tonic

The circus is for children—of all ages. And the Circus Busch, which opened yesterday at the Causeway Bay Reclamation, is just the right tonic for the young and those who never grow old.

Although a small outfit, the Busch Circus nevertheless is distinguished by the versatility of its performers and the high standard of their acts.

Three performing bears, a novelty to Hongkong, kept the audience howling with delight. Their trainer, Mr. Franz Adamski, well merited the applause. The mainstay of the troupe seemed to be the Stey Family, acrobats and aerialists as could be found. They appeared every so often, each time astounding the onlookers with different feats of skill.

Perhaps there were not enough clowns to occupy the periods when cages and other stage "property" were being set up. But the few clowns there were good. Particular mention must be made of Ludwig Fluher, whose antics on the bicycle kept everyone touring.—ACG.

Missionaries Expelled

Three German Catholic missionaries, Rev. Fr. P. Kallenthale, Rev. Fr. H. Winkelback and Sister C. Bruggemann, all of whom were expelled by the Government after spending a long period in Northern China, arrived from Tientsin in the ss Hupeh this morning.

On arrival, they said that the reason for their expulsion was simply "not wanted".

Fr. Kallenthale had carried on his missionary work in Shan-tung Province for over 30 years, Fr. Winkelback for 15 years, and Sister Bruggemann for 25 years. Accompanying them on the same trip was a French Catholic priest, Fr. H. Pattyn, of the Society of Jesus.

Fr. Pattyn had been in Tientsin for over 20 years.

Death of Mrs Kitty Waller

We regret to record the death, which occurred this morning at the age of 37 years after a long illness, of Mrs Kitty Waller, wife of Mr Prosper Waller, of Waller and Company.

The late Mrs Waller also leaves three young children to mourn their loss.

The funeral will take place this evening at the Colonial Cemetery, passing the Monument at 5.30 p.m.

"Miranda" Is A Personal Triumph For Philippa Coombes

The Stage Club played the first night of *Miranda*, a delightful comedy with sparkling dialogue written by Peter Blackmore, at the China Fleet Club Theatre last night, in the presence of His Excellency The Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham.

This is a most enjoyable presentation, really well staged, and earned only by the heat, and the fans in the auditorium had to be turned off for acoustical reasons.

Think that the plot of this fantastic fishing story is known by most people, so I won't be spoiling the fun when I say that *Miranda* is a mermaid who has brought a well-known surgeon back from the deep to the land of the living, at the cost of a short season in London. During the action of the play we see the effect of this "incredibly pretty" and "incredibly funny" on the lives of the doctor and his friends.

The set deserves a special mention. John Cunningham and Bruce Rowe have combined to create a really attractive scene. I would like to make two small suggestions, although lost in admiration for their artistic achievement. Footfalls on the bare boards of a stage sound like gunfire, and it is always advisable to remove the glass from picture frames because it reflects the footfalls.

IN STAR MANNER

The star part is played by Philippa Coombes in a star manner. In fact her performance is so professional that it is almost unfair to the other members of the cast, because it becomes difficult to keep one's perspective. She is to be congratulated particularly on her timing, her gestures and her strong sense of comedy.

However, when she is not on the stage the pace drops sadly. This is particularly noticeable in the scenes between Miss Rosemary Richards, as *Miranda*, and Guy Cory as Sir Paul Martin. They are both too slow and stilted and their inflections monotonous. Miss Richards lacks the frivolity for the part and is pedantic, though her pretentiousness is an undoubted asset. Guy Cory is ponderous, but he cheers up in the last act. I'm afraid the comedy slips through their fingers.

Myrtle Tunney as the maid and David Jordan as the Chauffeur-valet were both excellent, and used their short stage time to full advantage. Mavis Bartlett has a remarkably good stage presence and was very well cast in this play as the friend of the family, precariously engaged to an artist, played by Wink Smith. Nurse Cary (Molly Crosbie) was a dear!

The splendid production is by Bill Phillips, and I would like to thank him for a most enjoyable evening.

There will be repeat performances tonight and tomorrow.—Margaret Bruce.

Gazetted Announcements

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. John Pakemham-Walsh to be a Permanent Magistrate, announced the Government Gazette today. Mr. Pakemham-Walsh's appointment is effective as from November 2.

It was also announced that H.E. the Governor has been pleased to re-appoint Mr. Lawrence L. Straight as Vice-Consul for the United States of America at Hongkong, provisionally and pending instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Notification was given that Mr. Julian F. Harrington resumed charge of the American Consulate-General in Hongkong on October 22.

Other appointments gazetted are as follows: Dr. R. H. Strudwick to be a Medical Officer; Miss Mary Thomson to be Senior Sister Tutor; Miss Beatrice Chan to be Sister Tutor. It was also notified that Mr. C. G. White, Resettlement Officer, Urban Services Department, has been dismissed from the service with effect from September 23.

Mr. Un Ting-tan, ceased to be an Assistant Secretary to the Urban Council, and Mr. J. P. Hewitt ceased to act as a Senior Surveyor of Ships.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Officer, have you seen a man about 35, wearing a blue suit, yellow tie and glasses? He was with me but I guess he got lost!"

Yangtze Finance Co Annual Meeting

The Shanghai Loan and Investment Company became a subsidiary of the Yangtze Finance Company Limited towards the close of the latter's financial year, following discussions initiated with the board of the Shanghai company, said Mr G. E. Marden, chairman of the Yangtze Finance Company Limited at the annual meeting held this morning.

Mr Marden also said that during the year the total quoted market value of the company's portfolio varied slightly in comparison with book values, and apart from the beginning of an upward movement in all utilities, the only substantial change in the market itself was in respect of Hongkong Tramways which had shown an improvement during the year of over 30 per cent.

Others present at the meeting were Mr J. L. Marden and Mr W. G. E. Lannaman, directors, together with Mr P. L. Seales, representing Wheelock, Marden and Company Limited, secretary, and Mr J. L. Marden, representing 501,894 shares.

Addressing the meeting—the chairman said: "Towards the close of our financial year your board initiated discussions with the board of Shanghai Loan and Investment Co., Ltd., as a result of which that Company has since become a subsidiary of our own. Although arrangements were not implemented until after the close of our year and are not therefore reflected in the accounts before you, I can inform you that our offer to issue 3 new shares for every 10 shares has been accepted in respect of 350,261 shares representing 69.71% of the issued capital, whilst negotiations are being pursued in respect of a further 37,047 shares or 7%. Our offer to acquire further shares continues in force.

The acquisition of control of this company having objects similar to our own, has broadened our base of operations and your board has every reason to anticipate that it will prove satisfactory.

During the year the total quoted market value of the company's portfolio varied but slightly in comparison with book values and, apart from the beginning of an upward movement in all utilities, the only substantial change in the market itself was in respect of Hongkong Tramways which had shown an improvement during the year of over thirty per cent.

UP AND DOWN

After the close of our year, however, Utilities led a substantial upward movement resulting in a market appreciation in the value of our portfolio. This movement reached a peak during the week ending 8th October last, since which date there has been a marked fall in prices.

On the 20th October—the day preceding the closing of our Transfer Registers—the Company's net worth, after deducting all liabilities, was \$8,708,000, representing a statutory value of \$7.59 per share ex-dividend.

This computation was based on the market value on that date of our investments quoted on the Hongkong and London Stock Exchanges—\$7,710,000;

unquoted Hongkong shares at Directors' valuation or cost, whichever was the lower—\$248,000; and the proportionate net worth, similarly computed, of your company's 68% shareholding in Shanghai Loan—\$917,000.

During the year our General Managers and Associated Company, Wheelock Marden & Co., Ltd., raised an additional \$10,000,000 in the market by a rights issue and after the close of our year we participated in the underwriting of an issue of some \$4,000,000 in respect of a Cotton Mill flotation. This introduction of such a textile share to the local market was successful and may lead to further participation in the important Cotton spinning and weaving industry of the Colony being made available to investors.

You will observe from the comparative figures given with the Profit & Loss Account that, despite a falling off of some \$30,000 in interest and dividends, the elimination of the item of interest paid resulted in an increased profit—the amount carried to the Appropriation Account being higher by some \$40,000 at \$700,802.

BALANCE SHEET

Turning to the Balance Sheet you will observe an improvement in the Investment Realisation Account of some \$350,000 whilst I may say that the Accounts Receivable which represented almost entirely amounts due for sales of securities in the course of delivery have all been received.

Issued capital remains unchanged on the Balance Sheet before you, but owing to the Shanghai Loan acquisition, 114,128 shares have been issued since the close of our year representing the 69.71% to which I referred earlier and the 20,000 shares issued to Messrs. George McEwan as compensation for loss of office under their agency contract. None of these shares, of course, participate in the current dividend.

Assuming that you approve the dividend recommended by our Directors the carry forward will be increased by nearly \$70,000 at \$584,358.

I now have pleasure in proposing "That the Report and Accounts in respect of the year ended 31st March, 1953, as presented, be adopted," and when this has been duly recorded, I shall answer to the best of my (Continued on Page 8 Col. 6)

The King Case: Further Submissions By Counsel

"If I show in law the secret commission only creates a debt from Jimmy King to Falconer's, and that this debt cannot be treated as Falconer's property for the purpose of this charge, that, Sir, is the end of their case," declared Mr M. A. da Silva, Counsel for the Defence, before Mr Poon Yan-hoi this morning, when he made further submissions that J. J. O. King (former Director of G. Falconer and Co., Ltd., of Union Building) had no case to answer on a charge of fraudulent conversion.

Mr Silva was on the ninth day of his submissions. Hearing is taking place in the Supreme Court building.

James Joseph Osbourne King, a merchant of 20 Braganza Circuit, is accused of having taken \$9,305.84 for the use of his wife, Margaret, on November 17, 1950, whilst a Director of Falconer's.

The Hon. Leo d'Almada, Q.C., and Mr A. J. Clifford are both for the Prosecution, instructed by Hastings and Company. Mr M. A. da Silva appears for the Defence.

Mr Silva, on resuming this morning, said he wished to summarise and clarify a point made yesterday in referring to the Court to the case of Rex v. Baron, reported in 10CAR.

"All I am trying to establish is the principle that you cannot take two different views of facts," he continued. "What the Court of Appeal laid down as the principle is that you cannot approve by one view of the facts, that is to say, in the case quoted the property passed to the defendant with the consent of the owner, and that at the same time reprobate by another view of the facts which is that the defendant took feloniously without consent of the owner. You cannot say on the one hand 'this is black' and on the other hand 'this is white'."

"Applying that principle, Sir, to this case, I submit that Falconer's cannot take one view of the facts and say 'This \$400 is a secret commission' and for criminal purposes take another view of the facts and say 'This is not a secret commission.' It is not merely a matter of getting by this point to say in civil jurisdiction Falconer's was the party and in the criminal jurisdiction the Crown is the party and the Crown is not bound.

"That is not the true perspective to adopt because the Crown has to adopt Falconer's forward to claim this \$400 before the Crown makes out a case. It is not the Crown who claims this \$400, it is Falconer's, as a witness for the Crown, who claims the property."

AN EXAMPLE

"Let me give you an example. Clearly we must establish the \$400 is Falconer's property. Supposing Seymour (a director of Falconer's), as representative of Falconer's, under cross-examination by me had said to me 'Yes, it was permitted to any one of these three shareholders to finance a deal, use Falconer's name and keep any excess in profit,' and supposing Seymour had then said 'Yes, Jimmy King did this,' in other words, Falconer's does not claim the \$400 is their property and the Crown case is gone in those circumstances. Now Seymour comes in instead and claims the \$400 is Falconer's property, and he must claim it is Falconer's property upon the same basis. He cannot claim it is on the basis that this is not a secret commission because in the records in the civil jurisdiction of the Supreme Court there is existent to this very day, unchanged, Falconer's own claim 'This is a secret commission.'"

"He cannot say in your jurisdiction, Sir, this was not a secret commission, because that would be approbating and reprobating, but Falconer's can still claim the \$400 is 'their property' by still maintaining property for the purpose of the secret commission only creates a debt from Jimmy King to Falconer's and that this debt cannot be treated as Falconer's property for the purpose of this charge, that, Sir, is why I say to you that the only proper stance that Mr d'Almada could have taken in his opening was this—that the \$400 is a secret commission and as a secret commission it is still a sufficiently substantial property for it to be fraudulent conversion."

BLACK AND WHITE

"And if Mr d'Almada should say 'No, I did not so open my case' or if he should say 'I now claim a different \$400 is not facts and I say this \$400 is not a secret commission,' he can only make that assertion by putting Falconer's forward to make the claim. If you permit it, Sir, you will then be permitting what the Court of Criminal Appeal says cannot be done, and you will be permitting of the invoice for the actual amount

Falconer's to appropriate and to reprobate—to claim in the civil jurisdiction this is white and to claim in the criminal jurisdiction this is black.

"This was started by me, Sir, from the point of view of demonstrating that Inference No. 8 is improbable, and for the purpose of clarity I should make this point as A (x), the point being this: even my submission as to circumstances and evidence is rejected entirely by the Court, Inference No. 8 is improbable because the invoice signed by Holden for £1,100, Ex. E, completely negatives and makes impossible the inference that £700 was the true contractual price. I say never mind the seven other inferences, but if you cannot say that you can find as a certainty beyond any reasonable doubt that £700 was the actual contractual price—and I remind you that your finding must be a finding by way of inference, and I say you cannot find this as a certainty because of the doubt raised by the invoice for £1,100, and by the allegation of a secret commission—then there is no case made out by the Crown."

ADMITTED PRICE

"And I remind you, Sir, that when Falconer's claim in civil jurisdiction that a secret commission was received by King, they admitted that £1,100 was the true contractual price. In other words, they best it in the civil jurisdiction I agreed to buy for £1,100 and out of my agreed price the vendor gave you a secret commission." Falconer's is now attempting a different view. In short, Inference No. 8, as I said, is improbable because of the doubt raised by the Prosecution is Holden's invoice for £1,100.

"You will remember, Sir, that in the early stages of this case, Mr d'Almada was concluding his opening, I asked him whether he was quousing any case law or bringing any case authority or making any analysis, as I am now analysing this offence of fraudulent conversion, and he said 'No, I was particularly surprised because at that time he had in Court with him the report of 20CAR which I expected Mr d'Almada to quote. It appears on Page 63, the case of Rex v. Morter."

"This is a case which, if you read it, is a very proper analysis, you might have thought 'Alas, this is a case which condemns Jimmy King of fraudulent conversion.' When you come to analyse it, you find that it supports my submission that the invoice for £1,100 cuts right across the case for the Prosecution."

INTERJECTION

"Mr d'Almada has just pointed out to me, Sir, that he was not relying upon that case and he is not going to quote this case as part of his case, but I want to make it clear that I am quoting this case in support of my submission. At this point, Mr d'Almada interjected and said: 'My friend has said he saw this volume in front of the Prosecution at the opening of this case and assumed that we were going to rely upon it. I want to make it perfectly clear that I am not relying upon it.'"

Continuing, Mr Silva said: "The facts of the case in the report were these: A director of a limited company was given two blank cheques to buy respectively a typewriter and a motor-car but he filled up each cheque with a figure greater than the actual purchase price and appropriated the surplus. It was held that in law this amounted to a fraudulent conversion within Section 20 of the Larceny Act, which is the same as Section 22 of our Larceny Ordinance."

"I want to analyse that case and these facts to show that that invoice of Holden's cuts the case for the Prosecution right at the very roots. Let us suppose that in this case the vendor of the motor-car had given this director a blank cheque for the purchase price of the motor-car but he filled up the cheque with a figure greater than the actual purchase price and appropriated the surplus. It was held that in law this amounted to a fraudulent conversion within Section 20 of the Larceny Act, which is the same as Section 22 of our Larceny Ordinance."

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Chusan Delayed

The P. & O. liner, the RMS Chusan, en route here from the United Kingdom with a large passenger list and which is due to arrive tomorrow morning, has been delayed by typhoon weather. She is now due to arrive on Sunday.

The ship, having been delayed, has also been delayed. She will enter port on Sunday morning.

Who's His Line? Solution

WATER DIVINER
London Express Service

DISTURB THE PEACE

A husband and wife arrested for disturbing the peace early this morning were each fined \$15 or five days, and bound over in \$100 for one year by Mr Hing-ching Lo at Central.

The couple, who were Chui Chui, 28, of 103 Salwanho Street, ground floor, and his wife Wong Chun, 30.

The Prosecuting officer said that at 3.37 a.m. defendants were found quarrelling at Holy Cross Village near the crowd gathered as a result of the noise and a police officer nearby arrested the defendants.

Pictorial Book On Hongkong

"Hongkong in Picture and Story" compiled by John and Constance Steadman has been published this week. It is an attractive volume and full of interest to residents of the Colony as well as visitors. The photographs are vivid and the textual matter informative.

Tropical Storm Latest

A statement issued by the Royal Observatory at 12 noon today reads: "Tropical Storm Betty is centred within 30 miles of 16.9 degrees N and 116.0 degrees E, and is almost stationary, or drifting slowly north-west or west-north-west. The centre of the storm is about 400 miles from Hongkong."

Radio Hongkong

6. Time Signal and Programme Summary; 6.30, "Contact" Magazine for the Rising Generation, with News Views, interviews, stories and music, presented by Rosemary Richards (Studio); 6.30, Latin Songs, Patricia Munsel (Studio); 6.45, "Do you remember The Fifth in the Series of Programmes to Celebrate the Anniversary of the B.B.C. Empire Services (London Relay)"; 7.15, "This is a special programme presented by Dr. S. G. Davis and Rev. Father T. F. Ryan (Recorded)"; 7.30, "Top Tunes"; 8.00, "The Signal and World News (London Relay)"; 8.10, An Appeal for the Tung Wah Hospital's Annual Flower Show; 8.15, "Looking Back" presented by Mr. Seaward Woo, Principal Director (Studio); 8.15, Music is Sweet; 8.45, "Looking Back" presented by Mr. Seaward Woo, Principal Director (Studio); 9.10, A Feature Programme, written and produced by Nestle Fan (Studio); 9.30, Record Round-up; 10.05, "Weather Report"; 11. Radio News Item (London Relay); 11.15, Goodnight Music; 11.30, Goodnight Music; 11.30, Close Down.